

**SAGUACHE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR SESSION MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2016**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The Meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Jason Anderson, at 9:00 A.M., with the following members present:

Jason Anderson, Commissioner, Board Chair  
Ken Anderson, Commissioner  
Tim Lovato, Commissioner  
Wendi Maez, County Co-Administrator/Land Use Administrator  
Lyn Lambert, County Co-Administrator  
Ben Gibbons, County Attorney  
Rhannon Curry for Carla Gomez, Clerk to the Board

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Board Chair, Jason Anderson, invited those in attendance to join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:**

1. Mr. Gibbons requests executive session to review personnel during his time.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LOVATO TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Reading and Approval of Minutes:**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS AMENDED OF THE AUGUST 16, 2016 REGULAR SESSION MEETING.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Review of Mail and Other Correspondence: Mail 09/06/2016**

1. **Colorado Open Lands** sent an invitation to the October 14, 2016 celebration at the Hyatt Regency Convention Center Downtown Denver from 5:00 'til the cows come home.

2. **Pike National Historic Trail Association** sent a video and a letter regarding the April 15<sup>th</sup> bill that Governor Hickenlooper signed into law: The Pioneer Trail Bill (CO HOUSE BILL 16-1106).
3. **"My Public Lands" Bureau of Land Management Magazine** was received.
4. **The San Luis Valley Extension Report for July** was received.
5. **Board of Assessment Appeals, State of Colorado** sent an order on withdraw for Camino Baca Grande LLC.
6. **Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment** sent a letter regarding: Approval with Conditions: Saguache County Landfill EDOP Modifications – Final Cover Design. The letter states approval with conditions.
7. **The San Luis Valley 4-H September E-Newsletter** was received.

Introduction of Guests:

Wolfe Stauffenberg – the-gro.com	Nancy Morgan
M. Scalzo	Ed Davis
Zeke Ward – RWEACT	Karen Davis
Jerry Biggs	Andrew Archuleta – Bureau of Land Management
Tristram Post – USFS-Public Lands	Lorraine Lopez - Senior Resident Group
Pete Garcia – Senior Resident Group	Patsy Garcia – Senior Resident Group
Carla R. Quintana – Senior Resident Group	Bill Donahue- Senior Resident Group
Nyla Thompson- Senior Resident Group	Katherine Brown – Rio Grande HW Land Trust
Jeffrey Scott – Green Village Bio Fertilizer	Barry VanSant – Saguache Chamber
Mike Spearman	Sandia Belgrade

Public Comments:

Wolfe Stauffenberg – the-gro.com – expressed to commissioners he has over \$50 million in municipal bonds to help farmers and general agriculturists and are able to offer banking to HEMP farmers. His company is based out of Philadelphia and was happy to announce they have conservative money behind them. They are currently doing test loans in California. The sweet spot for these loans is between 2 and 5 million dollar loans. He was at the commissioners meeting to offer his assistance with the admin and public relations into the pot transition. After speaking with commissioners individually, he wanted to address them all together as a group. He would ultimately like to have an at length formal meeting if the Commissioners have availability to do so. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson expressed to Mr. Stauffenberg that he would like to see the "meat and potatoes" or facts of what he is presenting in writing. Something he can read and review. Commissioner Lovato also expressed his desire to see an outline of what Mr. Stauffenberg is proposing.

Sandia Belgrade of the Crestone Eagle was present and expressed concerns regarding smart meters. She thought this subject would be of importance to the commissioners as it effects the jobs and health of their constituents. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson agreed with the importance of the topic and let Ms. Belgrade know the commissioners had attended the meeting regarding this.



Mike Ruggles a Lazy KV Estates, Saguache County resident was present to express his appreciation for Sheriff Dan Warwick. Mr. Ruggles is new to the county from Maryland. He wanted to express to the Commissioners how much he appreciated that Road and Bridge came out to his property right away. He has heard many negative comments from other residents of the KV in regards to the HOA, however he says they have been fair to him. He also expressed his desire to help Sheriff Warwick obtain a shooting range for training of his officers. He read in the paper of the Sheriffs request for this type of facility. There are many avenues for grants and funding that can be received for this, and coming from a family of law enforcement he knows the importance of this request. Also expressed to the Commissioners his praise of Sheriff Warwick and the job that he does, and let them know he would stand behind any statement or request coming from the Sheriff as he feels he is a very good man and the Commissioners should feel lucky to have him. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson thanked Mr. Ruggles for his comments stating that all too often they hear the negative, so it is refreshing and welcomed to hear of a job well done also.

### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS:**

Commissioner Jason Anderson:

- 8/18-19 – Attended the BLM Resource advisory council meeting topics included:
  - Re-districting, The Front Range District is now known as the “Rocky Mountain District” and included Gunnison, Lake City, and the entire Alpine Loop Area.
  - Reviewed the impacts of Recreational Mining
  - Assessed a fee structure for high impact recreation areas
- 08/20 – Attended the Benefit BBQ for Crestone-Baca Firefighters
- 08/20 – Spoke with Diane Dunlop concerning the separation of Marijuana and Hemp. Let her know he would like to do more research where this is concerned. Thus far there are no documented cases of cross pollination. Would like to make decisions regarding this based on facts and not conjecture.
- 08/20 – Spoke with Bill Burch from Waste free SLV about infrastructure needs at the Landfill. Concerned about things being set aside and is questioning Ben Gibbons as to if this is ok. Has received complaints that what people used to be able to pick up for free they are now being charged for. Wendi Maez also commented that previously people could pick up items for free from the dump. Also commented to Bill Burch that the recycling seems to be piling up there is this really a benefit?
- 08/22 – Attended the Valley-wide Commissioners meeting to review budget requests and get a Trout update.
- 08/22 – Spoke with Teresa Benns of the Center Post-Dispatch concerning some questions on the beetle kill pine situation on public lands and to answer some question on the August agenda.
- 08/24 – Attended the Commissioners work session concerning Marijuana regulations and water resources at the airports.
- 08/24 – Attended the Southwest bank celebration in Saguache
- 08/24 – Met with the NY Times to do an interview about solar energy on BLM lands.
- 08/27 – Attended the Saguache Pow-Wow.

- 08/29 – Attended the Commissioners work session on Industrial Hemp.
- 08/30 – Attended the Countywide Harassment training from CTSI.
- 08/31 – Did a phone interview with the Independent Counties coalition
- 08/31 – Worked on the County Marijuana regulations and forwarded them to Ben Gibbons and Eric Bergman. Just moved a few things around so it was a more organized format, and not so jumbled. Wants Mr. Gibbons to review to ensure legality of items were not lost in the shuffle. Would also like to re-review with Wendi Maez prior to being sent out again. Ready to get this item wrapped up.
- 09/02 – Attended the closing celebration at the Saguache Fly-in. Emergency Services received \$4500 in donations.

Commissioner Lovato:

- 8/19 – Attended with grandson the Housing BBQ at the Pavilion in Saguache.
- 08/23 – Received a call from Diane Dunlop concerning the proposed Marijuana regulations and her concern about Hemp being grown in Saguache County.
- 08/24 – Attended the work session on Marijuana regulations and later in the day met Ilene Rivale at Public Health
- 08/26 – Met with Ilene Rivale and Janet Beiger at Public Health on the C.T.C. (Citizens that Care) program and I received information on the O. B. H. and STEEP grant that Saguache County participates in.
- 08/28 – After calling four parts stores in the valley, none of which were open, R&B made two hydraulic hoses were made for me. Will be billed and pay for both. – *This is something they will do for citizens of Saguache County from time to time.*
- 08/29 – Attended the work session at R&B on Hemp and then went on a tour of three tracts of hemp that is being grown locally.
- 08/30 – Met with Ilene Rivale and we spoke with the C.T.C. Director Erin Flynn from the State of Colorado on the proposed budget for the grant. Had several questions on how the program will be run. Also asked questions on whether any other tax money from the revenue of Marijuana sales has been awarded in line with the Governor's proposed plan.
- 09/02 – Spoke with Megan Strauss in regards to the C.T.C. program that Saguache County will be implementing.
- 08-23/09-01 – between these dates received several complaints about the number of grow operations, inquiring if they are legal or illegal in Saguache County.

Commissioner Ken Anderson:

- 08/18 – Attended the Senior Citizens meeting in Alamosa.
- 08/19 – Attended the Housing BBQ in Saguache.
- 08/22 – Attended the SLV BOCC meeting in Alamosa – budget discussions.
- 08/24 – Work session attended regarding Marijuana Regulations and attended the Southwest bank BBQ.
- 08/26 – Met with Mike Spearman and Randy Wright who brought a woman named Vicki, unsure of her last name, looked and discussed what we have going on at the airport and what we have in regards to businesses that want to set up manufacturing, etc.
- 08/27 – Attended the Pow-Wow in Saguache – was a great turn out and worth going to.
- 08/29 – Went on the Hemp facilities tour.



- 08/30 – Met with administration from the Town of Saguache at the airport to see if they were interested in the counter for sale. Looked at the well. Went to Central Pump to see what can be done with the pump at the airport, FBO pump by the hanger to see if it can be used.
- 08/31 – Attended the Hudson Ranch foundation meeting. Also looked at the Lazy KV estates and grows popping up there, as well as some of the streets in Bonanza. Continue to be quizzed by citizens in regards to upcoming regulations in regards to Marijuana and Hemp.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PERSONEL ISSUES, PER C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f)(I) AT 9:46AM**  
**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LOVATO TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION AT 10:03AM**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH MONTHLY REPORT:**

*TIM LOVATO TO REVIEW EMAIL RECEIVED BY ILEEN RIVALE IN LIEU OF VACATED DIRECTOR POSITION*

CTC – working with Erin Flynn from CDPHE on grants and to discuss the budget and scope of work.

STEPP – Tobacco signage was delivered to MVS and Center Schools for their football fields.

Worked on Saguache County no smoking policy working and emailed it to all Commissioners.

Worked with Emily Cooksey remotely. Ms. Cooksey has been working with MVS and Moffat School as they both showed interest in adding stronger language to the Tobacco Free Schools policy. She also promoted an online disciplinary program, Second Chance, for when infractions occur.

OBH – Parent Perception Surveys have been completed at both MVS and Moffat School registration. Katrina Ruggles and Ilene Rivale have been working on getting the survey translated into Spanish for Center School Open House.

All billings are up to date, and Crowfox and Ilene have scheduled the afternoon of September 7<sup>th</sup> to do all three grant billing for August.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO ADOPT THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN SAGUACHE NURSING AND ADAMS STATE UNIVERSITY FOR NURSING SERVICES.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**BEN GIBBONS, COUNTY ATTORNEY:**

Was a part of the BAA hearings on Tuesday August 30<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday August 31<sup>st</sup> with Jackie Stephens (consultant) and Pete Peterson (Assessor). All were able to attend via computer using Google Hangouts. Ruling will be received on only one of the appeals. One was withdrawn prior to the meeting, this was the letter received and addressed in the mail and the withdrawal the BOCC had already accepted. Bill McClure was in attendance in regards to the post office. A stipulation agreement was reached by both sides. Tracy Benton and the Blood of Christ church failed to attend and both of these items were dismissed. Crestone Recreation Center was heard and will have a decision from the board of appeals within 30 days. Mr. Gibbons also brought up a court of appeals ruling in regards to Medical Marijuana card holders. Per the ruling, a medical marijuana card holder will not be granted a concealed carry weapons permit. Further discussions will be necessary as to how the county will make decisions based on this ruling. Mr. Gibbons also discussed the town of Iris and questions in regards to exceptions to a title policy. He will be speaking further with Paul Motz to obtain further clarification, as he believed all questions were already resolved. In regards to the Marijuana regulations, Mr. Gibbons would like further review of this before it is sent to BOCC for final approval. He would like to see an index at the beginning vs. the middle of the document. This is not a significant change, but would add further clarity to the document. Would like to review this again with Wendi Maez and then have BOCC review and approve final draft.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO MOVE INTO BOARD  
OF HOUSING REPORT AT 11:28A.M.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE  
AUGUST 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2016 BOARD OF HOUSING MINUTES.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**EVAN SAMORA, HOUSING DIRECTOR:      REPORT ATTACHED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO MOVE OUT OF BOARD  
OF HOUSING REPORT AND BACK INTO REGULAR SESSION AT  
11:34A.M.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**



**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**RANDAL ARREDONDO, ROAD & BRIDGE SUPERVISOR:**

Mr. Arredondo, asked if the Commissioners received the email he sent last week. The email addresses the engineering design submitted, that had been changed several months back. The design plan has been approved per the email sent. The only requested portion not approved was yearly inspections. Quarterly inspections will be required. Mr. Arredondo still believes one more cell will be needed by next year for the amount of waste being received. Will be working on new cell soon so that all required paperwork can be sent to the state. The new cell once built should last 2 years before a new one would be needed again. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson questions Mr. Arredondo in regards to furniture being taken at the dump. Mattresses are not allowed, should furniture also then be not allowed as this takes up additional space as well? Mr. Arredondo believes it depends on the type of the furniture received, and would be a case by case basis decision made when received at the dump and weighed differently to determine dump fees if allowed. Wood furniture without foam inside can be burned and does not take up additional room. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson also would like clarification on selling of items from the dump as complaints have been received. Previously, citizens were able to remove items from the dump for free. Mr. Arredondo agrees and has asked dump crew that this not happen going forward.

Mr. Arredondo reports that all paving projects are complete and crews are back working on road maintenance. Decision has been made to chip seal some of the roads rather than paving as this will reduce the cost of paving and add a few more years to these roads. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson reports that an email was received in regards to HEFT funds. All Commissioners should have received an email in regards to this. Mr. Arredondo advises BOCC he is hesitant to change projected budget for this until HUFT funds are actually received. Does not want the budget to fall short. The number of funds received has not always matched what was said to be allocated.

**ZEKE WARD, RWEACT Update**

Handout was given to BOCC with additional information as well as the presentation. (Attached). Background on RWEACT (Rio Grande Water Shed Emergency Reaction Coordination Team) – was form 3 years ago in response to the West Fork fire. RWEACT has been responding, evolving, and developing relationships with other organizations since that time. In the 3 years since the fire they have found that the forest is now returning to stable sides and reforestation. RWEACT has gone from fire reaction to forward preparedness should another fire arise. They have learned that engaging in data driven decisions enable them to make better decisions especially when looking to the future. Original funding for the organization came from the governor. They have also applied for and received 501(c)(3) funds, and have applied for DOLA grants, which will help them expand into neighboring counties. They are currently working with forest services such as Gunnison, San Juan, and Rio Grande forest. In this relationship, they are exploring what can be done

with forest products sufficiently and efficiently to make an economic impact. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson, also a board member for RWEACT would like further information on the resources of the forests located in our county. He speaks for himself as well as the other Commissioners in saying he looks forward to working with RWEACT where this is concerned. Commissioner Lovato brought up concerns that local revenue could be given to the Fort Garland saw mill, if it is more cost effective to go that direction; and does not want to see this hurt Saguache.

**LYN LAMBERT, WENDI MAEZ, CO-ADMINISTRATORS ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:**  
**Administration Report for August 2, 2016**

SLV Commissioners met on August 22<sup>nd</sup> to go over budget presentations. They gave out handouts of the preliminary budget. The district attorney is asking for more money. Sheriff Warwick spoke in opposition to this as he is unhappy with the way things are handled by the DA here in Saguache County. Mrs. Lambert will be working with Commissioner Lovato in regards to the budget for Social Services. After reviewing budget done by Ms. Stringer prior to her exit, questions and concerns have been raised and will need to be addressed. Both Mrs. Lambert and Commissioner Lovato will work closely with Social Services staff to re-do the budget and address the questions and concerns involved. Brian Hiller – Benefit Health Advisor – stopped in. He has put out bids for health insurance quotes but they have not been received yet. This information will be forthcoming. Wendi Maez received plans back for the elevator that will be installed in the courthouse. It will be between ninety and ninety-five thousand dollars to install. It will be in the middle of the courthouse. This will eliminate one set of stairs but not the other. Unfortunately, it cannot be installed outside due to historical society restrictions.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO APPROVE JASON ANDERSON'S SIGNATURE ON VALUATIONS.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Wendi Maez lets BOCC know that she needs the pros and cons for the excise tax. Mr. Gibbons advises that the Commissioners can just do a summary of the pros. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson questions how long this needs to be as the pros could be quite lengthy. Clerk and Recorder Carla Gomez advises the longer it is the costlier it will be as it has to be included in the Tabor Notice. Mr. Gibbons advises having this prepared within the next two weeks. Mrs. Maez asks the Commissioners for direction as to the noxious weed act information they received via email. Commissioner Lovato informs the board that there was once a board specifically for this. He believes this needs to be reviewed and reactivated. Mr. Gibbons advises that before a motion is set forth, they will need to know how this will happen, how members will need to be appointed, where this will be put within the budget, etc. Commissioners schedule work session to discuss this item on September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 at 9:30 A.M., as there is a meeting regarding the Landfill with members from the



State on the 13<sup>th</sup>, and the sales tax meeting will be on the 15<sup>th</sup>. A final decision will be made regarding sales tax on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

**LUNCH**

**WENDI MAEZ, LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR, AIRPORT ADMINISTRATOR:**

1. Conditional Use request for an additional residence – Nancy Morgan – Baca Grande Chalet Unit One, Lot 1279C (formally 2 lots).
  - A. This request is to add a bathroom, the cabin is already existing and will be used for studio space.

B. Access to the property is provided by Echo Point Overlook.

C. One letter of approval was received.

CBPC recommended unanimous approval of this request during their regular meeting on August 10, 2016 with the following conditions;

1. Structure size 600 square feet (as required for an accessory structure) to 800 square feet since it was an existing structure per SCLDC Article IV

2. Structure may only be used as a studio and not as an additional residence

3. NO other use but studio, MAY NOT be used as a rental

Mrs. Morgan would like to add water and sewer to the old cabin. Water is existing, it will only be added within the structure.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON FOR CONDITIONAL USE ON EXISTING STRUCTURE FOR LOT 1279C IN BACA GRANDE CHALET FOR AN ACCESSORY DWELLING**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

2. Sam Smith – landowner/Edward and Karen Davis applicant – Lazy KV Estates Lot 4 Block PP  
Variance request is to place a 1982 Mobile Home on Lot 4 PP, Lazy KV Estates.

- A. Present use of property is residential

- B. Requested use of property will be used as a residence

- C. Water is supplied by Lazy KV Homeowners

- D. Sewage has been approved and permit # is 818

- E. Lazy KV HOA has given approval of the placement of this mobile home

- F. 2 letters of objection have been received

- G. 2 no objection letters have been received

The SCPC recommended unanimous approval of this request during their regular meeting on August 25, 2016 with the following conditions;

1. 60 days to complete set up

2. Siding to be completely in place within 1 year

3. State plumbing and gas permits must be applied for within 60 days
4. Exterior must be complete by July 1, 2017
5. Must have concrete footers with pictures of concrete footers to Saguache County Land Use office and pictures of each stage with reports to the Saguache County Land Use office each 90 days.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis present at BOCC meeting. Mr. Davis advises the BOCC that he has followed all steps necessary to obtain approval for this trailer. He is unfortunately unable to purchase a new trailer at this time, thus why he is asking for the variance. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson expresses his displeasure at the fact that so many illegal trailers are being moved prior to obtaining the required variances. He acknowledged Mr. Davis' efforts to do everything correctly but the fact remains that the trailer was moved illegally, and the county should be calling for its removal; also stating he believes every time you make exception to a policy, it diminishes that policy. Michael Powszukiewicz was present to express his approval and ask the BOCC to approve Mr. Davis' variance request. He let the BOCC know that with so many in the Lazy KV Estate subdivision moving in illegally and overnight, the Davis' are actually trying to do things the right way. He would like to see the variance approved. Commissioner Ken Anderson also expressed his disapproval of the older mobile homes moving into the county.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO PLACE A 1982 MOBILE HOME ON BLOCK4 LOT PP IN LAZY KV ESTATES WITH CONDITIONS AS PER THE PLANNING COMMISSION AS A ONE TIME EXCEPTION TO THE REQUIRED REMOVAL POLICY.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

3. Alan R. Palmer – Subdivision Exemption request – NE1/4SE1/4(AKA Tract 1) and SE1/4SE1/4 (AKA Tract 2) 1-45-10

This request is to subdivide a parcel of land containing 75.514 acres into two tracts. One tract will contain 43.895 acres and the second tract will contain 27.549 acres. The property is currently residential use and will stay residential.

No letter for or against has been received for this application.

The SCPC recommended unanimous approval of this request as presented during their regular meeting on August 25, 2016

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE PARCEL SUBDIVISION REQUEST WITH PARCEL ONE BEING 28.197 ACRES AND PARCEL TWO BEING 43.98 ACRES FOR ALAN PALMER AND JERRY BIGGS.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION**

4. One County Owned property bid for review.



**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE BID FROM WAYNE AND CHERYL MARTIN IN MINERAL HOT SPRINGS FOR LOTS 29 AND 30 AT MINIMUM BID OF \$430 PER LOT.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

5. Industrial Hemp tour was taken and very interesting. It was much different than what was expected. A public meeting date regarding the marijuana regulations will be postponed as further work needs to be done on regulation before presenting to public.

**SAGUACHE COUNTY AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT – WENDI MAEZ:**

Wendi Maez will check again at the airport in regards to items that need to be removed. Wants to make sure all is there ready to go so that multiple trips to the dump will not be necessary. Previous discussions regarding hangar at the airport will not go through. Offer at \$250 per month is too high for bidder. He would be able to afford \$75 per month. Commissioner Ken Anderson asks to go back to this discussion at a later time. Wendi Maez asked Mike Spearman to be present to discuss his counter offer on another hanger for rent due to previous back and forth offers. Mr. Spearman counters for \$750 per year until September of 2036. Original offer from BOCC was for \$200 per month. Commissioner Lovato counters Mr. Spearman at \$125 per month with provisions provided and only a 10-year lease. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson suggests the approving the proposal at the requested price but only for 8 years. Mr. Spearman is not willing to negotiate under any of these terms. Mr. Gibbons suggests an executive session to explore further options. This suggestion is denied by the BOCC. Commissioner Chair asks if there is a motion to accept the offer as it stands.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE AIRPORT HANGAR RENTAL OFFER AS IT WAS RECEIVED ORIGINALLY FROM MIKE SPEARMAN**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER CHAIR JASON ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 0**

**VOTES AGAINST: 3**

**MOTION DENIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO APPROVE RENTAL OF HANGAR AT \$75 PER MONTH FOR A 30 YEAR TERM TO TODD SUTTON**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 1**

**VOTES AGAINST: 2**

**MOTION DENIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO COUNTER TODD SUTTON HANGER OFFER AT \$125 PER MONTH FOR 30 YEAR TERM, BUT HE MUST CARRY HIS OWN INSURANCE.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR, PETE GARCIA:**

Came in to discuss the bid on the steps. Previous bid for step repair was denied. Mr. Garcia provided another bid. This bid for a little more than sixty thousand dollars was approximately half of the amount of the previous bid. Pete spoke to Randy Arredondo in Road and Bridge and Mr. Arredondo does not want to be involved in the replacement of the stairs. Commissioners are hesitant to accept this bid due to cost. Mr. Garcia points out, one insurance claim due to an accident, would cost more than the present bid received. This company would do all the demolition, and could begin working this month. He also went and took a look at the Chimney. He would not advise anyone getting up there with a ladder. Advises the county has a lift that would be a safer solution for this issue.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE BID FOR SIXTY-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS TO REPLACE THE FRONT STEPS FROM ALAN REAL OF SLV MASONRY WITH FUNDS COMING FROM THE FUND BALANCE.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**PUBLIC LANDS MONTHLY DISCUSSION:**

Tristram Post – Forest Service provided updates. Forest service will have a full tilt timber sale. They did not have any objections to this, so it will be open to bidders sometime in January. It was a great thing for the district to get this done without any objections. There will also be options for smaller sales within that one. They also made it through the environmental analysis without any objections as well. Mike Blakeman has also been in contact regarding rack membership. Ms. Post has a form if the BOCC has any names or recommendations to be placed on it. Public meetings will be held at Road and Bridge for forest planning towards the end of the month, notifications will be sent once dates have been confirmed.

Andrew Archuleta with BLM advised that there is re-districting going on. There are currently 3 districts, and Saguache is part of the Front Range district. The Front Range district will be changing its name to the Rocky Mountain district. Overall it will be a good change with Gunnison moving into the new Rocky Mountain District. Andrew has accepted a promotion into the role as the North West district manager, so he will no longer be our representative. All of the Commissioners congratulate Mr. Archuleta on his promotion, but let him know they are sad to see him go.

**Yvonne Morfitt, Saguache County 4-H Thank you**



Kristine Hoffner, Laura Morfitt, and Amy Cowling all members of 4H and winners of various awards at the recent showing. All in attendance to show what had been accomplished with the help of the BOCC. Wanted to give big thanks for all of the support received. Also let the BOCC know they had received a grant for a fitness trail over at the school. They would like to obtain gravel for the path, and were hoping the BOCC could donate towards this cause.

**Colorado Trust, Senior Resident Group (Pete Garcia)**

Various members of the group were in attendance to get an update on an MOU discussed previously at a meeting on May 3<sup>rd</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup>. They also inquired if the MOU had been prepared by the county attorney. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson explained there was some miscommunication between the BOCC and the Senior Resident Group. He advised that the BOCC would need to receive a proposal, outlining all items they would like approval for. Once the BOCC has this proposal, then a MOU could be drafted based on that proposal. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson reassured members of the Senior Resident Group, that a MOU would be prepared so that if items arose later, these items could still be addressed in further proposals. He also advised that they turn into administration, who would put on the agenda for review and approval. He asked that they be present once it is put on the agenda for approval. The Colorado Trust, Senior Resident Group members agreed to draft a proposal and put all requirements and requests into one proposal, so that all could be addressed/approved as quickly as possible with the understanding they should be present once put on the agenda. Once the proposal is received, the administration office would then present to the BOCC.

**Special Event Liquor License, Rio Grande Land Trust**

Copies of all documents as well as the fee were given to the commissioners for review. They are planning on 175-200 people to be in attendance. They are excited to be holding this at La Garita Ranch which is a beautiful venue.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL LIQUOR  
PERMIT FOR THE RIO GRANDE LAND TRUST**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Desert Sage Liquor License Renewal**

Hilltop Limited, Inc. DBA Desert Sage. Clerk and Recorder Gomez has received the application and all necessary fees for this renewal. She is unaware of any issues with the current license.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE HILLTOP LIMITED,  
INC., LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Jeffrey Scott, CEO Green Village Bio-fertilizer presentation on Bio-fertilizer business


Was in attendance to propose creating a facility for bio fertilizer somewhere in the valley. He would like to do a feasibility study to determine where exactly the best place in the valley would be. They are looking to employ 20-25 people with a few more for administration/office personnel. The cheapest wage they would offer would be \$20 per hour. They are dedicated to creating a living wage, not a minimum wage. The facility would need fifteen thousand square feet of warehouse, water, 3 phase 460 power, as well as climate conditions and a loading dock for access. The company produces completely organic fertilizer using algae. This company using this process can produce 3-4 tons of bio-fertilizer per day. Advantages to this process, is that it is still alive, completely natural, and regenerates as you use it. A chemical fertilizer would use 127 lbs. per acre, and this would only need 50 lbs. per acre. Mr. Scott knows this could be a hit in the Medical Marijuana market, however his interest is with the farmers, and agriculture, as their interest is in building and helping the community as a whole.

**Travis Garoutte from Mountain Valley School** was in attendance at the end of the meeting. He let the BOCC know he was here to see how things worked. He is very interested in developing a working relationship between the school, the town, and the county.

**BILL PAYING:**

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business: Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson adjourns 3:48P.M.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

  
CARLA GOMEZ, CLERK & RECORDER

DATE MINUTES APPROVED: September 20, 2016

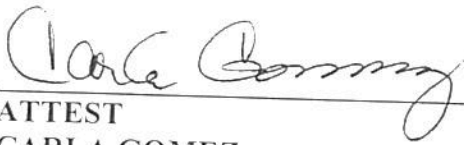


  
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